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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of April 14, 2010, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on July 14, 2010, the time period for responding having been extended by three months to expire on October 14, 2010 by submission of a request for a three-month extension of time and fee submitted concurrently herewith, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection set forth in the above-mentioned Final Office Action in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a Listing of the Claims beginning on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 4.